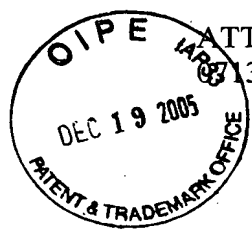


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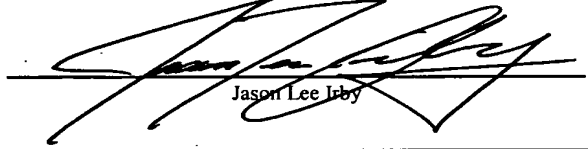
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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Office Action mailed September 20, 2005, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments set forth below and request favorable action thereon.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 4 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

**Amendments to Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached to the end of this paper.